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## SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

[Docket No. EP 519 (Sub-No. 4)]

## **Notice of National Grain Car Council Meeting**

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board (Board).

ACTION: Notice of National Grain Car Council meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of a meeting of the National Grain Car Council (NGCC), pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Thursday, September 14, 2017, beginning at 1:00 p.m. (CDT), and is expected to conclude at 5:00 p.m. (CDT).

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the InterContinental Kansas City at the Plaza, 401 Ward Parkway, Kansas City, MO 64112 (816-756-1500).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Fred Forstall at (202) 245-0241 or alfred.forstall@stb.gov. [Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at: (800) 877-8339].

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given of a meeting of the NGCC, pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C., app. 2 10(a)(2). The NGCC was established by the Interstate Commerce Commission (ICC) as a working group to facilitate private-sector solutions and recommendations to the ICC (and now the Board) on matters affecting rail grain car availability and transportation. <a href="Nat'l Grain Car Supply—Conference of Interested Parties">Nat'l Grain Car Supply—Conference of Interested Parties</a>, EP 519 (ICC served Jan. 7, 1994).

The general purpose of this meeting is to discuss rail carrier preparedness to transport the 2017 grain harvest. Agenda items include the following: remarks by Board

Acting Chairman Ann D. Begeman, Board Vice Chairman and NGCC Co-Chairman

Daniel R. Elliott III, and Commissioner Deb Miller; reports by member groups on

expectations for the upcoming harvest, domestic and foreign markets, the supply of rail

cars and rail service; and a presentation on disruptive technologies in freight

transportation and logistics. The full agenda, along with other information regarding the

NGCC, is posted on the Board website at

https://www.stb.gov/stb/rail/graincar\_council.html.

The meeting is open to the public and will be conducted pursuant to the Federal

Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2; Federal Advisory Committee

Management, 41 CFR part 102-3; the NGCC Charter; and Board procedures.

Public Comments: Members of the public may submit written comments to the

NGCC at any time. Comments should be addressed to NGCC, c/o Fred Forstall, Surface

Transportation Board, 395 E Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20423–0001 or

alfred.forstall@stb.gov. Any further communications about this meeting will be

announced through the STB website.

Decided: August 24, 2016.

By the Board, Rachel D. Campbell, Director, Office of Proceedings.

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